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Letter dated 18 July 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the statement issued by the meeting between the Foreign Ministers of the Group of Eight Industrialized Countries, the delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement Troika and the Group of 77, which was issued in Miyazaki, Japan, on 13 July 2000 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, under items 33, 37 and 50 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 18 July 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Statement issued by the meeting between the Foreign Ministers of the Group of Eight Industrialized Countries, the delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement Troika and the Group of 77, held in Miyazaki, Japan, on 13 July 2000

In Miyazaki, Japan, on 13 July 2000, the Foreign Ministers of the Group of Eight Industrialized Countries met the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) delegation, consisting of the Troika of NAM, South Africa (Foreign Minister), Bangladesh (Foreign Minister) and Colombia (Vice-President); the Foreign Minister of Nigeria, Chairperson of the Group of 77; and the Foreign Minister of Thailand, President of the tenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and Chair of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

The meeting addressed important global issues and confirmed the importance of dialogue between the developed and developing countries in jointly responding to the challenges of the new millennium.

The Ministers exchanged views on globalization and its challenges. On that theme, NAM/Group of 77 visiting ministers raised such issues as partnership for development and poverty eradication, information and communication technology and the digital divide, conflict prevention and the maintenance of international peace and security.

At the meeting, the NAM delegation conveyed a written message on the above issues from South African President Thabo Mbeki, Chair of NAM, to Japan's Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori, President of the Group of Eight.

Senior officials of the NAM delegation had a preparatory meeting with Japanese officials in charge of the Group of Eight Foreign Ministers meeting in Tokyo on 10 July.